



St Edward's School

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4th January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year to you all and welcome back. Despite all of the uncertainty in the news around education, teaching and learning is most certainly up and running at St Edward's. As to be expected, getting all 1,000+ students smoothly into the groove of Remote Learning was always going to pose a few problems (and it did/has) but I am really pleased to report that the vast majority of you have been able to access the learning provided by our teachers and we are working hard to resolve the other issues that have cropped up.

Just a reminder, students will be following their normal timetables each day and teachers will be primarily using TEAMS as the main way to communicate with their classes, so please do get your son or daughter to check there first for news of each day's lessons. Additionally, students can email their teachers directly if they are struggling with TEAMS. If students are uploading their work onto TEAMS then teachers will be able to see this and so students do not need to email their teachers separately to let them know.

As I mentioned in my previous letters (15th Oct and 18th Dec both of which can be found under the COVID Tab of our website) there will be a mixture of lessons, some of which will be live via TEAMS and others which will contain some independent tasks. Therefore, despite not being in school, students will still be able to continue with their learning until we all return in two weeks' time (one week for Years 11 and 13). If, however, the Government decide to keep schools closed to students for longer then we will ensure that we go back to providing the weekly learning schedules that we used during the first Remote Learning Period back in the Summer Term.

Please do continue to use heretohelp@st-edwards.poole.sch.uk if required.

Kind Regards,

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